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for the year ending

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New Brunswick, October 15, 1844

The Synod of New Jersey met according to adjournment and was opened with a Sermon by the Rev. Danl. V. McLean, the Moderator, from Acts 14:1.

After public worship the Synod was constituted by prayer.

Present

From the Presbytery of Elizabeth Town

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Dr. Magie		Mt. Freedom
Mr. Berton		
Mr. Hunt	Kern Pruden	2nd Ch. Elizabeth T.
Mr. Bond		Chester
Mr. Chester		Mt. Olive
Mr. Blauvelt	David N. Demarest	Woodbridge
Mr. Dumont	Wm. M. Ross	2nd Ch. Woodbridge
Mr. Ogden	Lucas V. Hoagland	Plainfield
Mr. Hunting		Lamington
Dr. Murray		1st Ch. Morristown
Mr. Kirtland	Wm. Parsell	Chatham Village
Mr. Cochran		Westfield
Mr. J. Cory	Jonas T. Minans	1st Ch. Elizabeth T.
Mr. B. Cory		New Providence
Mr. Street		Baskingridge
Mr. English		Springfield
		New Vernon
	Chas. Ford	Perth Amboy
	Jas. V. Wade	Connect. Farms
	Wm. Annin	Liberty Corner
	John Crowell	Rahway
		Paterson

Presbytery of New Brunswick

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Dr. Miller		Kingston
Dr. Alexander	John Howell	Trenton 1st Ch.
Mr. Comfort		Princeton
Dr. Janeway		Middletown Pt.
Mr. Cooley		
Mr. Henry	Richard McDowell	1st. Ch. Cranbury
Mr. Rodgers	John M. Schenck	Boundbrook
Mr. Perkins	Geo. Sinclair	Allentown
Dr. Hodge	Geo. W. Burroughs	South Trenton
Mr. Derville	Peter Dayton	New Brunswick
Dr. Davidson		Village Ch. Free.
Mr. D.V. McLean		2nd Ch. Cranbury
Mr. Blythe		Freehold
Mr. Van Dorn	C.S. Green	Lawrence
Mr. Hale	Aaron Hart	Pennington
Mr. I.A. Alexander		Nottingham
Mr. Taylor		Dutch Neck
Mr. J. Hall		Shrewsbury
Mr. Worril		
Mr. Schenck		
	Wm. W. Dye	Trenton City
		2nd Ch. upper Free.
		Manchester

Presbytery of Newton

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Dr. Shafer		Newton
Mr. Castner		
Mr. Van Derveer	Geo. Creveling	Mansfield
		Blairstown
Mr. Hyndshaw		Easton
Mr. Morrel		Stroudsburgh
Mr. McWilliam		Smithfield
Mr. Vermilye		Belvidere
Mr. Townley		Greenwich
	Chr. Van Nortwick	Musconetong Valley
	Nathan Stinson	Danville
		Allen Township
		Harmony
		Lower Mt. Bethel
		Hardwick
		Marksborough
	Saml. Blair	Oxford

Presbytery of Newton (cont)

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
		Upper Mt. Bethel
		Knowlton
	David Neighbour	German Valley
		Fox Hill
		Hackettstown
	Peter B. Shafer	Stillwater
		Durham
		Scott's Mountain

Presbytery of Susquehanna

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Mr. Foster		Orwell
		Athens
		Crawfordsville
		Troy
		Canton
		Towanda
		Lysox
		Wyalusing
		Friendsville
		Braintown
		Windham
		Tunkhannock
		Welsh Church

Presbytery of Maritan

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Dr. Kirkpatrick		Amwell United 1st.
Dr. Studdiford		Amwell 2nd
Mr. Olmstead	Ashbel Welsh	Lambertsville
Mr. Williams		Solebury
		Amwell 1st.
		Flemington
		Clinton
		Lower German Valley
		Pleasant Grove
		Milford
		Kingwood
		Amwell fifth

Presbytery of West Jersey

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Mr. Janvier		Mt. Holly
Mr. Collock		Hills Grove
Mr. Jones		Burlington
Mr. Helm		Blackwoodtown
Mr. Ker		Greenwich
		Cold Spring
	E.H. Moore	Bridgeton
		Salem
		Cedarville

Presbytery of West Jersey (cont)

Ministers

Elders

Churches

May's Landing
Deerfield
Williamstown
Millville
Camden
Woodbury

Presbytery of Luzerne

Ministers

Elders

Churches

Mr. Dorrance
Mr. Gaston

Wilkesbarre
Kingston
Hanover
Lackawanna
Beaver Meadow
Conyngham
Berwick
Mauch Chunk
Summit Hill
Port Carbon
Northmoreland
Halls

Statistical Reports were called for and are as follows- Elizabeth Town, New Brunswick, Newton, Susquehanna, Raritan, West Jersey, Luzerne.

Mr. Hornblower of the Presbytery of Elizabeth Town, Mr. Van Arsdalen and Dr. Cogswell of the Presbytery of New Brunswick and Mr. Van Rensselaar, Presbytery of West Jersey then took their seats with Mr. Joseph Titus, Elder from the Church of Titusville of the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

Rev. John Dorrance was chosen Moderator and Rev. Jos. M. Ogden and Rev. J.H. Townley were chosen Clerks.

Report of committee on Religious Exercises for the evening (No. 1).

Synod had a recess until 7 o'clock.

At the close of the recess Synod met and attended upon the Religious exercises agreeably to the report of the committee.

Mr. Halsey of the Presbytery of Elizabeth Town, Cornelius Vanderbuk of Lamington, Same Presbytery, Edward E. Rankin, Oscar Harris, Presbytery of Elizabeth Town, Jonathan T. Ely, Presbytery of Elizabeth Town, Jacob Collin, Elder from Baskingridge of the same Presbytery, Rev. Wm. Peoster of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for not coming sooner.

Rev. Paul E. Stevenson of the Synod of Virginia being present was invited to sit as a correspondent.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow morning- concluded with prayer.

Wednesday Morning 9 O'clock

Synod met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. Present as before together with Messrs. Abraham I. Williamson and Charles Imbrie, Ministers of the Presbytery of Elizabeth Town. Dr. John McLean of Presbytery of New Brunswick and Moses Williamson, Minister of the Presbytery of West Jersey.

The Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The Minutes of the last stated Meeting of the Synod were read and the members now present who were absent from said meeting assigned satisfactory reasons for absence which were sustained.

Satisfactory reasons were given by Rev. Saml. B. Lawrence of the Presbytery of West Jersey, James Carnahan, D.D. of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, James Lewers of the Presbytery of Newton, Rev. Thomas Hunt of Presoytory of Luzerne and Buckley Carle of Presbytery of West Jersey for absence from this meeting of Synod.

Appointments of committees No. 2.

On motion Resolved, that a committee of one Minister and Elder from each Presbytery be appointed to take into consideration the contributions of the churches to the Board of the General Assembly and to make such suggestions as they may deem calculated to increase them and to secure their being made at stated times.

Drs. Murray and Janevay and Messrs. Castner, Kirkpatrick, Van Rensselaer, Foster, Gaston, Ministers and Messrs. J.V. Vinans, G.S. Green, Welsh, Creveling, Shafer, Pruden and Wade, Elders were appointed that committee.

Resolved, that it be made the order of the day for 3 o'clock this afternoon to spend one half hour in listening to statements in reference to the board of Education.

Resolved, that the next stated meeting of Synod be held at Salem.

The Rev. John W. Yeomans, D.D. of Presbytery of Newton appeared in Synod and gave a satisfactory excuse for not attending sooner.

On motion it was Resolved, that James G. Helm and J.W.E. Ker, Ministers and R.G. Johnson, Elder be a committee on Religious Exercises for the next stated meeting of Synod and that they nominate a person to preach on Foreign Missions on the first evening of Session.

Peter B. Schenck of the Amwell United Ist. etc. appeared in Synod and gave a satisfactory excuse for not coming sooner.

A report of the committee appointed to make arrangements for the Religious Exercises of this Synod was made which was accepted and adopted and is as follows No. 3.

Resolved, that the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to prepare a schedule of Rules and submit them to the next meeting of Synod.

Resolved, that the Stated Clerk prepare the statistical report to be presented the next General Assembly.

The Rev. Jas. Romaine of the particular Synod of New York of the Reformed Dutch Church being present was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Collection taken up for incidental expenses- amounting to \$26.00.

Rev. B.H. Rice, D.D. of the Presbytery of New Brunswick appeared in Synod and rendered a satisfactory excuse for not appearing sooner.

The Rev. Ezekiel Firman of the Synod of Kentucky being present was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The Rev. James Scott of the particular Synod of New York of the Reformed Dutch Church being present was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The committee on Minutes of the General Assembly reported which was accepted and docketed.

Synod then had a recess until 3 o'clock.

Synod met again after recess.

The committee appointed to examine the treasurer's Account made a report that they found it correct.

The Rev. Jas. Clark of the Presbytery of Newton appeared in Synod and gave a satisfactory excuse for not attending sooner.

The order of the day was then taken up, viz., statements in reference to the subject of education, Mr. Chester.

Dr. McDowell, Synod of Philadelphia, the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions being present was invited to sit as a corresponding member and had leave to address the Synod in reference to that object which particularly enjoys his attention.

The Rev. Isaac B. Brown of the Presbytery of New Brunswick communicated a satisfactory excuse for absence from this and the last stated meeting of Synod.

The Rev. Prof. Nasson appeared in Synod and gave a satisfactory excuse for not attending sooner.

The committee on leave of absence reported that they have given leave to Drs. Magie and Cogswell to be absent from the remaining Sessions of Synod.

Here record Dr. Miller's resolutions on the subject of Christian Schools- see paper No. 4.

The committee on the Records of the Presbyteries of Luzerne, New Brunswick, Newton, Susquehanna and West Jersey made report recommending that they be approved as far as written, page 455.

Mr. Geo. Vecelius an Elder from the church of Fox Hill of the Presbytery of Newton appeared in Synod and assigned a satisfactory excuse for not attending sooner.

The committee appointed to draft a Narrative of the State of Religion within the bounds of the Synod made a report which was amended, adopted and is as follows (No. 5 paper).

Synod then had a recess till 7:15 o'clock.

Synod met after recess and attended to Religious Exercises, etc.

The committee on leave of absence reported that they had given leave to Drs. Alexander and Miller, Profs. J. A. Alexander and Nasson and messrs. Cooley, Cochran and Moses Williamson, Ministers and messrs. Howell, Vanderbuk, Van Nortwick and S. Green, Elders to be absent, etc.

Dr. Baird appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for not attending sooner.

Synod then adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Mr. James Crane an Elder of the 2nd Church of Elizabeth Town was admitted a seat in Synod as alternate, etc.

Thursday Morning 9 O'clock

The committee of Bills and Overtures made a report (overture No. 1) which was placed on the docket. (a memorial of the Presbytery of Luzerne respecting the appointment of a day of fasting and prayers, etc).

Raritan book approved.

The committee on Bills and Overtures made a report (No. 2) on the subject of destitutions within the bounds of the Presbytery of Luzerne, which was adopted and is as follows- see paper No. 6.

The Rev. Dr. Howe of the particular Synod of New York of the Reformed Dutch Church being present was invited to sit as corresponding member.

The committee appointed to take into consideration the contributions of the churches to the Boards of the General Assembly made their report and while the discussions on the adoption of this report was in progress Rev. Dr. Baird had leave to make some statements on the subject of Protestantism in France. The discussion was then resumed- and on motion the whole matter was referred to a select committee to report to the Synod at its next stated meeting. Committee Drs. Murray, and Magie and Dr. V. McLean.

The committee in reference to the Religious Exercises of the next stated meeting of Synod- reported that they had selected, Prof. J.A. Alexander to preach the Missionary Sermon on Tuesday evening. Rev. Dr. Murray, his alternate.

The committee on the records of Presbytery of Elizabeth Town made a report that they be approved to page 244- excepting, etc. (see filed paper).

The Stated Clerk and Dr. Davidson be a committee to publish, etc.

On motion, Resolved, that the thanks of the Synod be communicated to this church for their kindness, etc.

The Synod then adjourned, etc. to meet at Salem the 3rd Tuesday of October 18 at 3:30 o'clock, pm.

Concluded with prayer, singing and the benediction.

A P P E N D I X

1. RESOLUTIONS AND IMPORTANT ACTIONS.
2. NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.
3. PRESBYTERIAL STATISTICAL REPORTS.

1844

No. 1. Whereas the Christian Education of the children and youth of the church lies at the foundation of her prosperity; whereas this matter has been and continues to be deplorably neglected in most of our churches, and whereas there is no probability that this object can be in any good degree attained, unless it be systematically and patiently pursued by the judicatories of the church---therefore

Resolved. That Mrs. Janeway, Davidson, Eagle and Murray and Messrs. John J. Bryant and James Crane be a committee to inquire whether any, and if any, what further measures ought to be adopted to secure the formation of a wise and efficient plan in regard to this subject, and for carrying the same into execution, and to make report at the next meeting of the Synod.

NO. 2 The committee of bills and overtures presented Overture No. 1 being a memorial from the Presbytery of Luzerne, respecting the appointment of a day of fasting and prayer and recommended the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved. That in view of the very general absence of the special tokens of the divine favor in our congregations, the Synod hereby appoint the 1st Monday in January 1845, to be observed in all our churches as a day of humiliation, fasting and prayer, and recommend that our people abstain all worldly business on that day and devoutly attend upon such public exercises in their respective churches as the pastors and sessions may appoint humbly confessing the sins which cause the suspension of divine influence, and beseeching God of his great mercy to return and revive his work in all our churches--and it is recommended that the pastor present on the previous Sabbath, the reasons which have led to this appointment. viz: the low state of religion, and of practical benevolence compared with the external prosperity with which God has blessed us.

No. 3 The committee of Bills and Overtures reported Overture No. 2 being a memorial from the Presbytery of Luzerne, asking the aid of the Synod in supplying missionary labor within the bounds of said Presbytery--The committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved. That this Synod feel a deep and lively interest in the efforts which the brethren are making to supply the destitute within the bounds of the Presbytery of Luzerne. But as the Synod has neither the labourers, nor the means of their support at their disposal, they can only commend their case to our Board of Domestic Missions, hoping that the means already accepted by the Synod will put the board in funds, so that they will be able in some good degree to respond to the calls of our brethren.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS
1844

That during the Past Synodical year, this part of zion has enjoyed a remarkable degree of external prosperity. Nearly all the Presbyteries report an unusually increased attendance on the public services of the sanctuary and a disposition to lend a listening ear to the preached word. Old wastes have been occupied-churches have been organized, or the way is prepared for their organization-new church edifices have been erected or are in the process of erection, and several feeble congregations have been so strengthened that they have ceased to depend for their support on the assistance of the Board of Domestic Missions. There has been awakened in the midst of us a growing interest in the work of supplying with the regular ministrations of the gospel, the destitute regions within our bounds. One of the Presbyteries in Pennsylvania, reports that "nearly every destitute congregation has been furnished with the regular preaching of the word and measures have been taken for their thorough supply." A Presbytery in this state has also entered on the work of evangelizing that wide section within our limits containing from 40 to 50 thousand inhabitants and known as the "Pines of New Jersey," Two missionaries are now in that field and the regions adjacent. It is evident that the distinctive doctrines and principles of Presbyterianism are surely, though gradually and silently extending their influence and taking deeper root in the minds of the people.

The Sabbath School cause is in general prosperous. From the reports, it appears that the value of Bible classes is appreciated and that marked attention is paid by our pastors and elders to instruction in the shorter catechism of the Westminster Assembly. A becoming effort has been made to direct the attention of our youth to the importance of preparing themselves for the service of the church, and a goodly number of young men have been licensed as probationers for the gospel ministry.

The cause of Temperance has not on the whole been retrograde, though fears are expressed lest the increased bundance of the fruits of the earth the present season, may by abuse be followed with disastrous consequences.

As a Synod we have reason for gratitude and devout thanksgiving that so great a degree of harmony and peace prevails throughout our churches, that the relation between pastors and people is so amicable and that we have not been disturbed, as is the case in some parts of the land, by the evils of an unsettled and perpetually changing ministry.

And it is with pleasure we are permitted to record that notwithstanding all our unworthiness, God has not wholly forgotten to be gracious. Four of the Presbyteries report that some of their churches have been blessed with a refreshing from the presence of the Lord, and that additions have been made to their numbers, of hopeful subjects of renewing grace.

The college of New Jersey within our bounds is in its usually prosperous state, having a somewhat larger number of students than during the last year, an unusually large portion of whom are professed pious.

The College of La Fayette at Easton has also been well sustained during the past year.

The Theological Seminary at Princeton is in a flourishing condition, and now has a greater number of students, than has been connected with it, at any one time since its foundation.

We are called at this time to drop a tear over the grave of one of our number. The Rev. Sylvester Easton of the Presbytery of Elizabethtown, has during the past year been called home to his rest, admonishing us to prepare for our departure while it calls for thankfulness, that so many of us are still spared.

In conclusion your committee are compelled to state that there is much occasion for mourning and deep humiliation before God, and that the absence of the special tokens of divine favor in most of our churches calls loudly upon pastors and elders and private members to supplicate the Great Head of the church with earnestness and increasing importunity that He would return and visit us as in days that are past.

Whether we do not suffer our attention to be too much engrossed with the exciting topics which agitate the public mind-whether we are exerting ourselves as we ought to prevent the desecration of God's holy day in the midst of us-whether we contribute all in our power to sustain the benevolent institutions of our church, and extend the Redeemer's Kingdom, whether we have not far too little spirituality of soul and ardor of devotion to our master's service-these are questions of grave import, which should perhaps lead us as a Synod to inquire farther, whether God might not well address us in the language of the prophets. "Bring ye all the tithes into the store-house, that there may be meat in my house, and prove we now herewith, whether I will not open the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

PRESBYTERIAL
STATISTICAL REPORT
1844

1. The Presbytery of Elizabethtown report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 27 Ministers, and have under their care 22 Congregations, 4 Licentiates and 5 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 24th of October last, they received the Rev. Sylvester Eaton from the Presbytery of North Pine-that on the 25th of the same month they received the Rev. Barnabas M. Fay from the Brockfield Association of Massachusetts; that on the 30th of January they received under their care, Mr. William E. Hornblower, a licentiate from the Presbytery of New Brunswick, and on the same day ordained him to the work of the gospel ministry, and installed him pastor of the 1st Presbyterian church of Paterson-that on the 15th of April they received the Rev. Jonathon T. Ely from the Presbytery of Orange,-that on the same day they dismissed the Rev. John C. Hart to join the Presbytery of Portage that on the 17th of April they received under their care Mr. Edward E. Rankin, a licentiate from the 3d Presbytery of New York-and on the 23d of the same month ordained him to the work of the gospel ministry, and installed him pastor of the church in Springfield-that on the 17th of April, they licensed Messrs. Levi H. Christian and David H. Pierson to preach the gospel-that on the 7th of May they dissolved the pastoral relation of the Rev. Holloway W. Hunt to the 2nd Church in Woodbridge-that on the 9th of July, they dismissed the Rev. Barnabas M. Fay to join the New Haven East Association-the Presbytery also report that on the 14th of May the Rev. Sylvester Eaton departed this life, aged 55 years.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of Presbytery.

JAMES M. HUNNING, Stated Clerk.

2. The Presbytery of New Brunswick report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 37 Ministers, and have under their care 21 Congregations, 7 Licentiates, and 9 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 1st of January 1844, they dismissed Mr. William H. Hornblower, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Elizabethtown-that on the 10th of the same month they organized a church at Titusville, to be known as "The First Presbyterian Church of Titusville"-that on the 6th of February they received said church under their care and on the same day dismissed Mr. Hugh W. Brown, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Logansport-that on the 7th of the same month they licensed Mr. Elijah P. Rodgers (a man of color) to preach the gospel-that on the 13th of the same month they dismissed Mr. John Smalley, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Northumberland-that on the 16th of March they dismissed Mr. Archibald M. Morgan to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of South Alabama-that on the 23d of April, they dismissed the Rev. Levi S. Beebe to join the Presbytery of Louisville-and on the same day received under their care Mr. Garrit Van Arsdale a licentiate from the 2nd Presbytery of Philadelphia that on the 24th of the same month, they licensed Mr. Chauncey P. Taylor to preach the gospel-that on the 22nd of May, they ordained Mr. Garrit Van Arsdalen to the work of the gospel ministry, and installed him pastor of the church at Titusville-that on the 6th of August they ordained Mr. Giles Manwaring to the work of the gospel ministry, as an Evangelist, and on the 18th of the same month dismissed the Rev. James W. Alexander D. D. to join the Presbytery of New York-that on the 22d of September, Mr. George W. Swan a licentiate under their care, departed this life-that on the 23d of the same month they dismissed Mr. Benjamin T. Phillips, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of West Jersey-that on the 3d of October they dismissed the Rev. Giles Manwaring to join the Presbytery of New York and on the same day licensed Mr. Samuel Miller Jr. to preach the gospel-and that on the 15th of October, they received the Rev. Jonathon Cogswell D. D. from the North Association of Hartford County, Connecticut.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of Presbytery.

ELI F. COOLEY, Stated Clerk.

3. The Presbytery of Newton report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 21 Ministers, and have under their care 25 Congregations, 4 Licentiates, and 5 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 18th of October 1843, they dismissed the Rev. David Longmore to join the 2nd Presbytery of Philadelphia, and received the Rev. Isaac S. Davison from the Presbytery of West Jersey-that on the same day they dismissed Mr. Peter R. Vanatta, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of New Lisbon-that on the 2nd of November, they installed the Rev. Isaac S. Davison pastor of the church of Fox Hill-that on the 24th of April, they dismissed the Rev. Elias S. Schenk to join the 2nd Presbytery of New York-that on the 15th of May, they licensed Messrs. John A. Riley, James G. Moore and Darwin Cook, to preach the gospel, and that on the 2nd of October, they dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. Joseph Worrel and the church of Danville.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of Presbytery.

JAMES MCWILLIAM, Stated Clerk.

4. The Presbytery of Susquehanna report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 10 Ministers, and have under their care 16 Churches, and 2 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 6th of February 1844, they received under their care the churches of Wells and Columbia-that on the 7th of the same month, they dismissed Mr. James N. Lewis, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Montgomery-that on the same day they received the Rev. Samuel F. Colt from the Presbytery of West Jersey, and on the 21st of the same month installed him pastor of the church at Wyalusing-that on the 18th of September they received under their care the church of Rome-that on the same day they dismissed the Rev. George Printz to join the Presbytery of Luzerne-and dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. Aaron B. Winfield and the church of Friendsville, and dismissed the Rev. Aaron B. Winfield to join the classis of Cayuga.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of Presbytery.

JULIUS FOSBERG, Stated Clerk.

5. The Presbytery of Baritan report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 9 Ministers, and have under their care 12 Congregations.

The Presbytery further report that on the 17th day of April 1844, they dissolved the pastoral relation of the Rev. David Hull to the church of Amwell 1st and on the same day dismissed the Rev. David Hull to join the Presbytery of Northumberland.

All which is respectfully submitted.
By order of Presbytery.
PETER O. STUDDIFORD, Stated Clerk.

6. The Presbytery of West Jersey report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 14 Ministers, and have under their care 14 Churches and 7 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 10th of November they dismissed the Rev. Samuel F. Colt to join the Presbytery of Susquehanna—that on the 30th of the same month, they received the Rev. Cortlandt Van Resselair from the Presbytery of Baltimore—and the Rev. Charles M. Oakley from the Presbytery of New York—that on the 2nd Tuesday of December they installed the Rev. Charles M. Oakley pastor of the church of Millville—that on the 15th of April, they received under their care Mr. John W. Rogers, a licentiate from the Presbytery of New Brunswick, and on the 15th of May, ordained Mr. Rogers to the work of the gospel ministry and installed him pastor of the church of Woodbury.

All which is respectfully submitted.
By order of Presbytery.
SAMUEL BEACH JONES, Stated Clerk.

7. The Presbytery of Luzerne report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 10 Ministers, and have under their care 12 Congregations and 1 Licentiate.

And the Presbytery further report that in obedience to the order of Synod, they received under their care the churches of Falls and Northumberland, on the 7th of November-that on the following day they ordained Mr. Charles E. Evans, a licentiate under their care to the work of the gospel ministry. and installed him pastor of the church of Northumberland-that on the 31st day of January they dismissed Mr. John H. Fittenshouse a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Northumberland-that on the 1st day of May, they received under their care, Mr. Ashbel G. Harned, a licentiate from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, and on the same day ordained him to the work of the gospel ministry and installed him pastor of the church of Summit Hill-that on the same day they licensed Mr. John E. Sterling to preach the gospel-that on the 25th of September they received the Rev. George Printz from the resbytery of Susquehanna and on the same day erased from their list the church of Briar Creek said church having been transferred by the last General Assembly to the Presbytery of Northumberland.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of Presbytery.

RICHARD WEBSTER, Stated Clerk.

